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"FOR WAYS THAT ARE DARK  
AND FOR TRICKS THAT ARE  
VAIN."

It was Bret Harte, the bard of the  
Western American mining camps, who once  
burst into song with the philosophical  
observation that "for ways that are dark,  
and for tricks that are vain, the heathen  
Chinese is peculiar." Bret Harte has long  
since been gathered to his fathers. But  
his ballads live—and the Chinaman hasn't  
changed perceptibly. "There is a Chinese  
tinsmith doing business in Shanghai,"  
writes the manager of the Withers Concert  
Company, which is shortly to pay a return  
visit to this city "who is just about the  
nicest and smoothest bunco artist in his  
own small way that I have ever come  
across. Chins isn't the place for a man of  
his peculiar bent; he should be in America,  
manipulating a Trust. It cost me \$12.00  
to get acquainted with his system—I did  
not meet him personally, the concert  
manager continued. "This \$12.00 figured  
in three charges of \$4.00 each against the  
concerts we last gave in Shanghai. \$4.00  
for tinsmith," was the entry on the local  
treasurer's expense sheet each evening.  
"Wherefore the largest for tinsmith," I  
inquired with real keen thirst for information.

Tinsmiths are not usually required in  
classical concerts, but the local treasurer  
explained. "The tinsmith had a shop next  
door, and some time back in the dim past  
he had had a rush of work and returned to  
his toll in the evening. It chanced there  
was a concert in the hall that night, and  
the noise of the smith's activities would  
not harmonize with the other musical ar-  
rangements a little bit. Finally the concert  
managers went to him and compromised on  
a basis of \$4.00 then and there duly paid,  
to quit work and go home. That gave him  
his idea. For afterwards he has kept an  
observant eye upon the advertisements.  
Whenever there is a concert announced, he  
suddenly discovers that he has a call to  
work over-time. The police tried for a while  
to suppress him, but he made sound his  
legal right to work in his own shop in the  
evening if it pleased him to do so. "What's  
the use," said other concert promoters,  
"its not worth while fighting over."  
And so whenever there is a concert in the  
Shanghai Town Hall, the tinsmith next  
door puts in an appearance at the ticket  
office—not as a purchaser. Four dollars  
are paid out to him, and the cashier  
notes on his expense sheet for the night,  
"Paid tinsmith \$4.00."

It is expected that the popular Withers  
Concert Company will arrive by the Ger-  
man Mail on or about Tuesday next to  
open their new season here on the evening  
of November 4th.

**PATROLLING THE YANGTSE.**

In the House of Commons, recently Mr.  
Bellairs asked the First Lord of the  
Admiralty whether he was aware that Ger-  
many is about to send a fourth river gun-  
boat to the river Yangtze, and what are  
the names of the British river gunboats on  
this river.  
Mr. McKenna said: The answer to the  
first part of the question is in the  
affirmative. The German vessels are the  
"Vorwärts," launched in 1899; the  
"Taigang" and "Vaterland," launched in 1906;  
and the "Otter," launched in 1909. The  
British gunboats permanently employed on  
the Yangtze are the "Tavira," launched in  
1900, "Nightingale" launched in 1897; "Snipe,"  
launched in 1898; "Tad," launched in 1901;  
"Widgeon," launched in 1904; "Woodcock,"  
launched in 1898; and "Woodcock" launched  
in 1898. The gunboats "Bramble" and  
"Belton" also cruise occasionally on the  
Yangtze.

**A REMEDY THAT CURES COLIC.**  
SOME time back I had a very bad at-  
tack of colic, says Mrs. O. E. Hume of  
Middleburg, Ohio. Colic is a new ad-  
vertisement in the paper of Chamberlain's  
Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy  
which I at once got from the chemist. Mr.  
W. C. Purpitt. After I had read the first  
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## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard presided at the meeting of the Legislative Council which was held this afternoon. There were also present:—  
Hon. Mr. F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.  
Hon. Mr. F. A. HARRISON, Acting Attorney General.  
Hon. Mr. C. McI. MESSER, Acting Colonial Treasurer.  
Hon. Mr. A. W. BARNETT, Registrar General.  
Hon. F. J. BARNLEY, Capt. Supr. of Police.  
Hon. Dr. Ho KAL, C.M.G.  
Hon. Mr. Wai YUK, C.M.G.  
Hon. Mr. E. A. HAWES.  
Hon. Mr. E. OSBORNE.  
Hon. Mr. MURRAY STUART.  
Hon. Mr. W. J. GIBSON.  
Mr. C. CLEMENTI, (Clerk of Councils).

**THE MESSERIES.**  
The Finance Committee reported that they had considered clause by clause the bill entitled An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding five million six hundred and twenty-five thousand six hundred and eighty-three dollars to the Public Service of the year 1910: and advised that the bill be reported without amendment.  
The bill was read a third time and passed.

**TRADE MARKS.**  
Hon. Attorney General moved the second reading of a bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Law relating to Trade Marks.  
Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded and the bill was read a second time.  
Hon. Attorney General said the Bill assimilated the law to that prevailing in the United Kingdom.  
His Excellency pointed out that there were still one or two outstanding points not entirely settled and it was proposed to deal with only a portion of the Bill in committee that day, adjourning the remainder until the next meeting.  
Several clauses were accordingly approved, and the bill left in Committee.

**INSPECTION OF STEAM BOILERS.**  
Hon. Attorney General moved the second reading of a bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the periodical inspection of Steam Boilers and Prime Movers.  
Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded and the bill was read a second time.  
The bill went through Committee, was read a third time and passed.

**WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' PENSIONS.**  
Hon. Attorney General moved the second reading of a bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Ordinance, 1908.  
Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded and the bill was read a second time.  
The bill went through Committee, was read a third time and passed.

**PROTECTION OF WOMEN AND GIRLS.**  
Hon. Attorney General moved the second reading of a bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1907, as amended by the Protection of Women and Girls Amendment Ordinance, 1909.  
Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded and the bill was read a second time.  
The bill was read a third time and passed.

**RECREATION GROUNDS.**  
Hon. Attorney General moved the second reading of a bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the Reservation of certain lands in Kowloon as Recreation Grounds, and to provide for regulations as to the use thereof.  
Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded and the bill was read a second time.  
Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart thought it rather large power to invest in the Governor personally power to re-appropriate the grounds if found necessary in the interests of the Colony or Imperial Government. He thought it would be advisable that the powers be given to the Governor-in-Council.

His Excellency said the form had been in use since 1893, and he saw no reason for altering it.  
Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart said he would not press the point.  
The bill passed through Committee, was read a third time and passed.

**PUBLIC PLACES.**  
Hon. Attorney General moved the second reading of a bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Public Places Regulation Ordinance, 1870.  
Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded and the bill was read a second time.  
The bill went through Committee, was read a third time and passed.

**CHINESE EXTRADITION.**  
Hon. Attorney General moved the second reading of a bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Chinese Extradition Ordinance, 1889.  
Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded and the bill was read a second time.  
Hon. Attorney General said at present where the fugitive criminal had been resident in the Colony for a year and upwards the case had to be considered by the Governor-in-Council, who was to be assisted in such consideration by the Chief Justice, who would be placed in an embarrassing position in the event of the criminal being brought before the Court on a writ of Habeas Corpus. By the Bill the Chief Justice would not assist the Governor in such cases.  
The bill went through Committee, was read a third time and passed.

**BURIAL GROUNDS.**  
Committee on the bill entitled An Ordinance to set apart certain Crown Land to be used as a burial ground for persons professing the Christian Religion, other than members of the Roman Catholic Church.  
His Excellency said a point arose as to those Roman Catholics who were Free Masons. There was a belief that such people would not be allowed to be buried in a Roman Catholic Cemetery, and thus there was a question of procedure with regard to them. He consulted the Bishop, and he had said there was not the slightest difficulty at all about the matter; they could be buried within the consecrated area.

Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart pointed out that there was no provision in the Bill to prevent Christians, any, belonging to the Armenian Church, from being buried in the Christian Cemetery, and thus there was a question of procedure with regard to them. He consulted the Bishop, and he had said there was not the slightest difficulty at all about the matter; they could be buried within the consecrated area.

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## FINANCE COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held under the presidency of the Hon. Colonial Secretary when the following votes were considered and passed:—

**Public Works.**—A sum of \$1,500 in aid of the Public Works Department, water works, maintenance of Kowloon.

**CHARITABLE SERVICES.**—TYFEROON RELIEF.  
A sum of \$614 in aid of the Typhoon Relief Services, passage and relief of destitute.

His Excellency the Governor in Council said it might interest the Council to know which had been under the vote. On the 23rd inst. the a.s. Telemachus brought in news to the effect that there were a large number of damaged junk floating about south-west of Gap Rock. The Government thereupon immediately sent out the tug David Gillies, which was hired from the Dock Co. She left at 3 a.m. so as to arrive at daylight and bring in whatever junk she could. She brought in 55 men from various junks and also towed in one junk. At the same time he appealed to the Committee to give what assistance he could with vessels of the Royal Navy. The Commodore dispatched two destroyers, and they brought in one junk. Rice and water were taken out for the rescued.

The next day the two destroyers went out again and brought in three more junks, again taking out rice and water. On Monday further reports were received from Gap Rock that there were still a number of derelict junks floating about. He (His Excellency) appealed to the Committee to give what assistance he could with vessels of the Royal Navy. The Commodore dispatched two destroyers, and they brought in one junk. Rice and water were taken out for the rescued.

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## THE LATE MRS. ISABELLA BALL

Our readers will note with melancholy interest the announcement in another column of the death, in England, at the ripe age of 93, of Mrs. Isabella Ball, widow of the late Dr. Ball of Canton. Not many years ago the deceased lady was a well-known resident in this Colony where her sterling worth of character combined with rare kindness of disposition won for her the widest and most enduring esteem.

On the return to England of her son, Mr. J. Dyer Ball, (at the time Chief Interpreter in the Supreme Court) and his subsequent retirement from the civil service of the Colony mother and son; whose mutual attachment was a markedly pleasing feature of their home life among us, became reunited, Mrs. Isabella Ball becoming a member of her son's household first at Exmouth, and afterwards at Hadley Wood, Barnet.

It may well be that few readers of this notice care to concern themselves with the Canton and Hongkong of the later years when Dr. Dyer Ball and his wife held places among the men and women of light and leading in the two communities. It is, however, a suggestive circumstance that the literary labours of Dr. Ball, carried to a successful issue in spite of many obstacles, were an undoubted factor in opening the way for the Christian, educational and religious movements of the present day. Of Dr. Ball's books the best-known is perhaps an "Anglo-Chinese Concord, Almanack," first published at Hongkong in 1843. This quaint work contained among a variety of other matter a description of the Solar System in Chinese characters, a number of Chinese booklets both horatory and explanatory. He died in 1866.

Mrs. Isabella Ball, who was closely associated with her husband's labours as a pioneer missionary, lived to rejoice in the accomplishment of many an object contemplated by him almost from the day of his first arrival in China. She found also a personal source of satisfaction in the distinguished and successful career of her son, Mr. J. Dyer Ball, who will have the sympathy of all his friends in the loss of so good a mother.

**SPECIAL SERVICES AT THE R.C. CATHEDRAL.**  
Sunday being the last day of the month consecrated to the Blessed Rosary of the Holy Virgin Mary, a Solemn High Mass will be held at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 8 o'clock in the morning, officiated by the Rev. Fr. Gabardi, Rector of the Cathedral, assisted by a Deacon and sub-deacon. After the singing of the Gospel the Rev. Fr. A. M. Moraes, Sacerdote, the Secretary to His Lordship the Bishop of Macao, will preach in Portuguese. The Sanctuary Choir will be fully occupied by the Clergy of the different Missions and the Seminaries. In the evening at 8 o'clock there will be recitation of the Rosary followed immediately by the Procession of the Blessed Lady of the Rosary, accompanied by the Band of the Philharmonia, round the spacious courtyard of the Cathedral. After the singing of the Laudatory Litany by the Choir, the Rev. Fr. William Arkwright, professor in St. Joseph's College of Macao, will preach in English and the festivities will conclude with the Benediction of the Holy Sacrament. All Catholics are cordially invited to attend. We are informed that the processional march to be played during the Procession, called *Regina venturissima*, was expressly composed by the Bandmaster of the "Philharmonia" for this occasion.

**ALLEGED BREACH OF LICENSE.**  
The case in which Messrs. Weismann Ltd., were sued for a breach of their license came again before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistrate's today.

His Worship said that on the points raised by Mr. Eldon Potter as to the sale of food and liquor he considered that it was one transaction.  
Mr. Potter—I don't suggest that the order was for a bottle of beer and another order for sandwiches. You cannot split up the order in that way.

His Worship—As to the second point of a license holder not being liable, I am not sure that that point is sound. It depends on the evidence called.

Mr. Potter—Your Worship had overruled the point about the food. Perhaps your Worship would state your grounds for that.

His Worship—I am against you I will state the grounds for my overruling the point.  
The boy who served the officers was called and stated that when engaged his master had told him not to serve drink without food. There were notices to that effect posted in the pantry and passageway. The policemen had said they wanted nothing but Kupper beer and said they did not want anything to eat. Witness said that if they did not have any drink he could not serve them. He then communicated with the manager and he told him not to serve unless food was brought. The beer and sandwiches were brought on the same tray.

Mr. Potter suggested that the sandwiches had been ordered. That was not the only point. Even if food was not asked for he submitted that an adjacent licensee could place food before a customer and compel them to pay for it. His Worship ought not to convict on the construction of the ordinance which could not be strained against a defendant but rather in his favour.

His Worship reserved his decision until Monday morning.

## A YEAR'S TRADE AT KOW

Interesting Figures

In the latest returned trade just published by the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs some interesting details are given by Mr. A. H. Harris in reference to the trade of Kowloon during 1908. Mr. Harris' report states that the net value of just trade under the cognizance of the Kowloon stations for the year 1908 amounted to HK. \$3,477,376, a decrease of nearly 1 million taels under the total for 1907. Foreign imports showed an advance of over 1 million taels, but exports and the inter-China trade shrank a decline of over 2 million taels. These figures, though based on the figures of the year, show substantial increases on the total in each branch during 1908. A stormy summer season, during which occurred a typhoon of great severity, together with a constantly falling exchange and further restrictions on opium, considerably militated against the chances of a good year. The main reason for the increased value of imports may be traced to the higher prices generally ruling, especially, though the import fell of nearly 1 million taels, was valued as over 1 million taels more than in 1907.

The trade in Australian flour during the year has been limited to a few thousand bags. The American article, especially after the failure of the local flour mills, thus obtained the ruling position in the market of South China. The main cause of the failure of the Hongkong Flour Milling Company is attributed to the fact that the American mills could import unrefined flour at a cheaper freight rate than the local company could import wheat, after allowing for the bran, etc., for which there was no suitable local market. Demand for the superior quality of the American flour was no doubt a factor in the fluctuating conditions in the countries of production. Native dealers during 1908 are said to have had a prosperous year, though from other sources the value of the trade has been pronounced unimpressive.

The total revenue collection for the year 1908 amounted to HK. \$46,973. These figures show a decrease on those for the previous year of HK. \$4,000. The revenue from the Kowloon stations during the year 1908 to the value of HK. \$2,979,381, an increase over the previous year's figures of over 1 million taels. In detailing the various headings, the report states that the disbursements into which, from various causes, Japanese yen has been materially assisted. It has been stated that the Indian yarn consigned to southern Chinese ports and to Tonkin, through Hongkong as the clearing centre, reached some 220,000 bales during the course of the year, the estimated value being \$24,750,000.

The returns show a decrease in value of over HK. 800,000 in goods exported to Hongkong from China through the Kowloon stations as compared with the figures during the previous year, but an advance of nearly 1 million taels over the 1906 total. The value of the trade for the year under review is over 15 million taels. The export of cattle has decreased by nearly 30 per cent., owing to the fact that many hundreds in this district died. With a large fresh meat market in Hongkong and the Philippines it is surprising that more is not done to systematically also cattle for the export market.

The total value of trade under the heading of imports of native goods was HK. \$1,738,785, which shows a decrease on the figures for 1907 of nearly 1 million taels. The total tonnage of vessels passing the stations during 1908 aggregated nearly 3 million tons, as compared with the figures during the previous year, may be considered good, considering that the typhoon of the 27th July was unusually severe and that during the season there was a succession of gales well into October. 16,474 junks and 3,220 steam launches passed the stations and 16,650 junks and 3,271 steam launches passed outward.

During 1908 some 209,108 passengers passed the stations inwards and outwards, a decrease of 42,000 passengers as compared with those carried during 1907. Through the Shikou to Hongkong launch service for towing passenger-boats failed in 1907, due to mismanagement, the Taipei to Taisan launch service has run more or less unimpairedly. The Taisan-Hongkong service still continues running, though the operators complain that they barely pay expenses. There is great jealousy between these two companies, and they lose no opportunity of damaging each other, whereas if they combined they could hold a strong position and could enlarge their sphere of action. The Antow to Hongkong launch service complains that they have lost money during the year; but they continue running owing to official support.

As they are the means of connection with the gateway to the interior, the Kowloon and Peking routes, at this point.

Nine hundred and fifty-five piculs of foreign opium passed the stations during 1908, being a decrease of 27 piculs below the figures of the previous year. Malwa and Benares advanced 4 and 25 piculs respectively, while Patna declined 108 piculs. No native drug or boiled opium has been reported at our stations during the year. The various restrictions placed on the drug in accordance with the terms and spirit of the opium prohibition treaties, while strictly enforced, have been relaxed in quotations, further accentuated by the decline in silver together with future uncertainty, have all tended to create a disinclination to trade.

In accordance with the agreement between Great Britain and China, to curtail the export of opium from India, yearly, the Indian Government reduced sales of Bengal opium in 1908 to 46,800 chests, as against 50,400 chests in 1907.

Under the heading of miscellaneous trade, it is noted that the failure of the Junk Bay Flour Mills leaves the American flour milling companies in firm control of the market in Southern China.

The main lode of the lead mine known as Pakshing, worked by the Pak King Mining Company, Limited, has lately been found. The lode measures 1½ miles in width and the minerals found are stated to be of better quality than in the branch lodes. The shaft is about 50 Chinese feet in depth. The engineer has reported that there is a prospect of the mine being 70 per cent. lead, with 30 to 40 ounces of silver per ton, at an estimated value of \$200. Samples are to be sent to the Hongkong Government assay in the early part of the year for assay.

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Sealed Orders, by A. E. Carey.

Open Country, by Maurice Hewitt.

Kitty Aubrey, by Katharine Tynan.

Sphinx, by Laurence North.

The Castle by the Sea, by Mariotti Watson.

The Waking Hour, by Harold Winstie.

The Marriage of Hilary Gordon, by Stanley J. Stein.

Two Women, by Baroness d'Arenberg.

The Master Schooler, by Mrs. Vera Campbell.

Peter Homunculus, by Gilbert Cann.

True Fids, by G. (A. T. Quiller-Couch).

Pretty Fanny's Way, by R. Murray Gilchrist.

Arming Children, by Mary E. Maup.

Cardillac, by Robt. Ben.

A Wild Beauty, by Dick Donovan.

The Valence's Prayer, by Tyler De Saiz.

A House of Lies, by Sidney Warrick.

A Country Corner, by Amy La Frence.

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each by Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy  
today.

Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistracy to-  
day, imposed a fine of 25 cents each on  
three prostitutes who were found on the  
serenades quarters at the Kowloon Hotel.

Two natives were charged at the Magis-  
tracy to-day, with having 50 lbs. of gelatin  
in their possession and the case was re-  
manded. Defendants engaged a woman to  
carry it in two baskets covered with rice.

While Sergeant MacDonald was engaged  
clearing some debris at the Yau-mai Police  
Station he was hit on the ankle by a large  
stone. Turning round another one just  
missed his face. Fortunately he caught  
the native who threw the stones and at the  
Magistracy to-day Mr. J. R. Wood imposed  
the full penalty of \$50.

## To-day's Advertisements

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signees' risk and expense.  
Cargo remaining on board after SATUR-  
DAY, the 30th October, 1903, at noon,  
will be landed and stored at Consignees'  
risk and expense.  
Cargo remaining undelivered after the  
3rd November will be subject to rent.  
All broken, chafed and damaged goods are  
to be left in the godown where they will  
be examined on TUESDAY, 2nd November.  
No fire insurance will be effected by us  
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## ARRIVALS.

October 22.  
Dumank, British str., 3,825 T. R. K.  
Butcher, from London and Shanghai Oct. 24.  
General—O. S. R.

October 23.  
Bingo Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

October 24.  
Sunghang, British str., 3,825 T. R. K.  
Butcher, from London and Shanghai Oct. 24.  
General—O. S. R.

October 25.  
Hedra, German steamer, 271 T. J. Jensen,  
Toumae and Holthor Oct. 25. General—  
Jensen & Co.

October 26.  
Catherine Apoor, British steamer, 1,730  
G. P. Hudson, Calcutta and Straits Oct.  
16. General—DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.

October 27.  
Derwent, British str., 1,565 T. J. Jenkins,  
Saigon Oct. 23. General—CHINA.

October 28.  
Signal, German str., 907 T. G. Schlakier,  
Sourabaya and Pulo Laut Oct. 18. Sugar.  
Jensen & Co.

October 29.  
Phipps, British str., 3,825 T. R. K.  
Butcher, from London and Shanghai Oct. 24.  
General—O. S. R.

October 30.  
Bancroft, British str., 2,610 T. J. D.  
Satchell, London and Singapore Oct. 25.  
General—CHINA.

October 31.  
Thiboda, Dutch str., 2,255 T. P. Zwart,  
Moji October 24. General and Coal—  
JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

October 32.  
Gregory Apoor, British str., 2,961 T. B. H.  
Belson, Moji Oct. 23. General and Coal—  
JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

October 33.  
Endura, British str., 1,183 T. J. S. Roach,  
Amoy October 27. General—DOUGLAS  
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October 34.  
Empress of China, British str., 3,046 T. R.  
Archibald, B.N.R. Vancouver, B.O. Oct.  
6, and Shanghai 25. Mails and General—  
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## DEPARTURES.

October 23.

Hakata Maru, for Singapore and London.  
Wife, for Singapore, for Nagasaki.  
Chinghai, for Canton.

Yunnan, for Ningpo.  
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## OCTOBER 23.

September 21, 1903.  
October 5, 1903. Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

October 11, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

October 19, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

October 23, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

October 25, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

October 27, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

October 29, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

October 31, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

November 2, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

November 4, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

November 6, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

November 8, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

November 10, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

November 12, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

November 14, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

November 16, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

November 18, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
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November 20, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

November 22, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

November 24, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

November 26, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

November 28, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

November 30, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
General—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

December 2, 1903. [Kawachi  
Maru, Japanese str., 3,374 T. A.  
Christiansen, from Singapore, Oct. 22.  
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